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SUBJECT: CASTRO VISIT TO JAMAICA

1. CITING SOURCES CLOSE TO JAMAICA HOUSE, DAILY NEWS PRINTED STORY JAN 14 THAT FIDEL CASTRO IS TO VISIT JAMAICA LATER THIS YEAR AND THAT LOCAL CUBAN AMBASSADOR NOW IN CUBA WORKING OUT THE DETAILS. CITING A HAVANA SOURCE, STORY CONTINUES THAT PRIME MINISTER MANLEY HAS BEEN INVITED TO VISIT CUBA AND THAT CUBAN AMBASSADOR ALSO FINALIZING DETAILS OF THAT VISIT.

2. MINEXTAFF LATER IN THE DAY ISSUED STATEMENT PARTIALLY DENYING STORY. MEA RELEASE SAID "THIS REPORT IS INCORRECT. MUCH AS JAMAICA WOULD WELCOME AND BE HONORED BY THE PRESENCE OF THIS GREAT THIRD WORLD LEADER, THE SCHEDULES OF THE JAMAICAN PRIME MINISTER AND THAT OF DR. CASTRO HIMSELF DO NOT PERMIT FOR SUCH A VISIT IN 1975. HOWEVER, AS FAR AS THE JAMAICAN PRIME MINISTER IS CONCERNED, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING INVITATIONS FROM A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES TO PAY OFFICIAL VISITS IN 1975. THESE INCLUDE MEXICO, CUBA AND INDIA -- ALL OF WHICH ARE BEING CONSIDERED."
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